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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the original claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A holster holder for securing a holster to a wearer in a desired attitude, the holster holder comprising:
 - a plate;
 - a first arcuate slot defined through the plate, wherein the first arcuate slot is capable of allowing a first fastening means to extend therethrough;
 - a second arcuate slot defined through the plate, wherein the second arcuate slot is capable of allowing a second fastening means to extend therethrough;
 - a third ~~recurvate~~ slot defined through the plate below the first and second slots, the third slot ~~having a recurvate shape~~ comprising a compound slot formed by the intersection of two arcuate slots whose centers are located above the compound slot and whose point of intersection forms the highest point of the compound slot, wherein the third slot is capable of allowing a third fastening means to extend therethrough;
 - wherein the three fastening means are capable of engaging three points of attachment defined on a holster;
 - and wherein a relative angle of the holster to the plate is adjustable by coordinated adjustment of the three fastening means within each of the three slots.
2. (Previously Amended) The holster holder set forth in claim 1 wherein the holster is adjustable to predefined angles based upon the positioning of the three fastening means in selected indents formed in a plate wall for engaging the fastening means.
3. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 1 wherein the three fastening means comprise screws.
4. (Previously Amended) The holster holder set forth in claim 2 wherein the fastening means comprise screws and wherein the selected indents formed in the plate wall engage a head portion of the screws.

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5. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 1 further comprising at least two further slots defined through the plate for receiving and securing the plate to a wearer's belt.

6. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 5 wherein each of the at least two belt receiving slots further comprises adjustment means for adjusting the height and the angle at which the belt passes through the slot.

7. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 2 wherein the plate comprises at least three belt receiving slots defined therethrough and wherein two of the belt receiving slots are formed in a vertical manner such that one is above the other, thereby providing alternative paths for the belt through the plate, thereby providing for adjustment of the relative angle between the holster holder and the belt.

8. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 7 wherein each of the belt receiving slots further comprises adjustment means for adjusting the height and the angle at which the belt passes through the slot.

9. (Withdrawn) The holster holder set forth in claim 1 further comprising a U-shaped slot for attachment of the plate to a portion of the wearer's clothing in a clip-on manner.

10. (Previously Amended) A holster holder for securing a holster to a wearer in a desired attitude, the holster holder comprising:

a plate;

means for attaching a holster to a side of the plate; and

at least two slots defined through the plate for receiving and securing a wearer's belt to the plate, wherein one of the at least two slots is an arcuate slot and wherein at least one of the two slots comprises a compound slot formed by the intersection of two arcuate slots whose centers are located above the compound slot and whose point of intersection forms the highest point of the compound slot; and

repositionable adjustment means extending through each slot for adjusting a relative height and angle of the plate with respect to the belt.

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11. (Original) The holster holder set forth in claim 10 wherein the plate comprises at least three belt receiving slots defined therethrough and wherein two of the belt receiving slots are formed in a vertical manner such that one is above the other, thereby providing alternative paths for the belt through the plate, thereby providing for adjustment of the relative angle between the holster holder and the belt.

12. (Currently Amended) The holster holder set forth in claim 10 wherein the means for attaching a holster to the plate comprises a first arcuate slot defined through the plate and comprising a first fastening means extending therethrough; a second arcuate slot defined through the plate, opposite to the first arcuate slot, the second arcuate slot comprising a mirror image of the first arcuate slot and comprising a second fastening means extending therethrough; a third slot defined through the plate below the first and second slots, the third slot having a recurvate compound shape and comprising a third fastening means extending therethrough; wherein the three fastening means are capable of engaging three points of attachment defined on a holster; and wherein the relative angle of the holster to the plate is adjustable by coordinated adjustment of the three fastening means within each of the three slots.

13. (Currently Amended) The holster holder set forth in claim 11 wherein the means for attaching a holster to the plate comprises a first arcuate slot defined through the plate and comprising a first fastening means extending therethrough; a second arcuate slot defined through the plate, opposite to the first arcuate slot, the second arcuate slot comprising a mirror image of the first arcuate slot and comprising a second fastening means extending therethrough; a third slot defined through the plate below the first and second slots, the third slot having a recurvate compound shape and comprising a third fastening means extending therethrough; wherein the three fastening means are capable of engaging three points of attachment defined on a holster; and wherein the relative angle of the holster to the plate is adjustable by coordinated adjustment of the three fastening means within each of the three slots.

14. (Currently Added) The holster holder set forth in claim 1 wherein the compound slot is formed by two intersecting arcuate slots, wherein the centers of the arcuate slots are located on the same horizontal plane above the arcuate slots and at points equidistant from, and on opposite sides of, a bisecting vertical centerline, and wherein the radii of the arcuate slots are

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identical to one another and always greater than or equal to the respective distances between each center and the bisecting centerline and whose point of intersection forms the highest point of the compound slot for the non-intersecting ends of each of the two arcuate slots always terminate when they intersect with the vertical centerline of their own centers.

15. (Currently Added) The holster holder set forth in claim 12 wherein the compound slot is formed by two intersecting arcuate slots, wherein the centers of the arcuate slots are located on the same horizontal plane above the arcuate slots and at points equidistant from, and on opposite sides of, a bisecting vertical centerline, and wherein the radii of the arcuate slots are identical to one another and always greater than or equal to the respective distances between each center and the bisecting centerline and whose point of intersection forms the highest point of the compound slot for the non-intersecting ends of each of the two arcuate slots always terminate when they intersect with the vertical centerline of their own centers.